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Docket No. SONY-C2195  
Anticipated Classification  
of this Application:  
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Subclass:

Prior Application:  
Examiner:  
Art Unit:

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.10

I hereby certify that this New Application and the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date November 30, 1993, in an envelope bearing "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" Mailing Label Number TB493974206US addressed to: Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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This is a request for filing a [x] continuation [ ] divisional application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending prior application Serial No. 07/857,980 filed on March 26, 1992 of KENZO AKAGIRI ET AL. for Coding Apparatus for Digital Signal.

1. [x] Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed. A declaration verifying it as a true copy appears in item 15 below. (See 8 and 9 for drawing requirements.)
2. [ ] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 [ ] is enclosed [ ] was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
3. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS ANY CLAIMS  
CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(1 + 2)			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	CLAIMS ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT	TOTAL CLAIMS	EXCESS CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
						\$710
TOTAL	12	0	-20	0	X 22=	\$0
INDEP.	3	0	-3	0	X 74=	\$0
— MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT					+230=	\$0

TOTAL . . . \$710

Small Entity 50% Filing Fee Reduction (if applicable) . . . . \$

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4. [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 12-1420. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
5. [x] A check in the amount of \$710.00 is enclosed.
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Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by person authorized by \$1.138 and before payment of base issue fee.)

New formal drawings are enclosed.

10. [x] Priority of application Serial No. P3-091548 filed on March 29, 1991 in Japan and application Serial No. P3-092741 filed on March 30, 1991, in Japan, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

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14. [ ] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
15. [x] I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 07/857,980 and no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his or her own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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